

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Figures 1 and 8 have been amended so that they are now labeled as related art. Figure 9 is amended to include reference number 905.

Claims 4, 9, 14, 19 and 20 have been amended in view of the comments in the Office Action in paragraph 2.

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that the claims of the present invention are patentable over the references in the record. The Applicant expressly traverses the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that any comment is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope, explicitly or implicitly, by not reciting verbatim the respective claim language, or is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in any way fully enumerated.

Conclusion

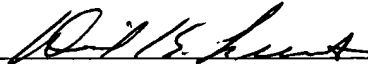
This Reply is believed to be responsive to all points raised in the Office action. Accordingly, prompt allowance and passage of the application to issue are earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, he/she is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to expeditiously resolve such concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the Drawings

Figures 1 and 8 have been amended to include in their respective label the phrase
“Related Art.”

Figure 9 is amended by adding numeral “905” with respect to the “Feed Forward” block.